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SUBJECT: ANTI-APARTHEID CONFERENCE: GENERAL DECLARATION

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1. AT ITS FINAL PLENARY SESSION ON JUNE 19 THE WORLD

CONFERENCE AGAINST APARTHEID, RACISM, AND COLONIALISM
APPROVED THREE DOCUMENTS: A FINAL RESOLUTION, A GENERAL
DECLARATION, AND AN ACTION PROGRAM. THIS CABLE REPORTS
HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GENERAL DECLARATION. THE TEXT OF
THE FINAL RESOLUTION WAS TRANSMITTED WITH REF A, AND THE
ACTION PROGRAM WILL BE DISCUSSED SEPTEL.

2. THE GENERAL DECLARATION IS DIVIDED INTO FOUR
SECTIONS, A PREAMBLE AND INDIVIDUAL CHAPTERS DISCUSSING
THE SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA, NAMIBIA, AND ZIMBABWE.
EXCERPTS FROM KEY PASSAGES FROM EACH OF THE SECTIONS
ARE GIVEN BELOW. ALL SIGNIFICANT PASSAGES TOUCHING ON
WESTERN INITIATIVES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA ARE INCLUDED.

3. THE PREAMBLE:

(A) APARTHEID-BY-ANOTHER NAME: SOUTH AFRICAN/BANTUSTAN
POLICY, THE VORSTER REGIME'S POLICY OF "MULTI-ETHNIC
DEMOCRACY," AND THE RHODESIAN "INTERNAL SETTLEMENT
SCHEME" WERE COLLECTIVELY CONDEMNED AS APARTHEID-BY-
ANOTHER-NAME.

(B) ANGO-AMERICAN INITIATIVES ARE UNHELPFUL: "A NEW
PHENOMENON, AS AN APOLOGY TO RACISM IN SOUTHERN AFRICA,
IS THE SO-CALLED ANGLO-AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONAL EFFORTS
IN RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA, WHICH ARE BASED, NOT ON
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FULFILLING U.N. RESOLUTIONS, BUT ON GIVING CREDIBILITY
AND LEGITIMACY TO THE VORSTER REGIME IN BRINGING ABOUT
CHANGE IN THOSE COUNTRIES. AS A RESULT, THE RACIST
REGIMES HAVE FELT SO ENCOURAGED THAT THEY FEEL FREE TO
CARRY OUT AGGRESSIONS AGAINST THE FRONTLINE STATES OF
MOZAMBIQUE, MOTSWANA, ZAMBIA, AND ANGOLA WITH IMPUNITY."

(C) SOCIALIST COUNTRIES APPLAUDED: "THE CONFERENCE
EXPRESSES ITS FULL SUPPORT OF THE ROLE PLAYED BY THE
SOCIALIST COUNTRIES ESPECIALLY THE SOVIET UNION AND
PROGRESSIVE AFRICAN COUNTRIES" AND "CALLS FOR THE
REDOUBLING OF SUCH EFFORTS."

(D) CHURCH ROLE: "A LARGE PART OF THE
CHRISTIAN WORLD IS HELD IN SUSPICION BY THE OPPRESSED
PEOPLE OF SOUTHERN AFRICA. THEY HAVE BEEN SEEN FOR TOO
LONG TO BE ON THE SIDE OF THE OPPRESSING POWERS. IN THE
PRESENT SITUATION THERE IS AN URGENT NEED FOR THE
CHRISTIAN CHURCHES TO REASSESS THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES
AND ALSO ACTIVELY COOPERATE WITH...PROGRESSIVE MOVEMENTS."

3. ON SOUTH AFRICA:

(A) THE WEST IS AN ACCOMPLICE: "THE CONFERENCE IN PARTICULAR CONDEMNS THE UNITED STATES, FRANCE, THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, GREAT BRITAIN, ISRAEL, ITALY, PAK JUNG HI (SIC) CLIQUE OF SOUTH KOREA, AND OTHERS FOR THEIR MILITARY COLLABORATION WITH THE APARTHEID REGIME. IT DECLARES THAT THESE COUNTRIES HAVE BECOME ACTIVE ACCOMPLICES IN THE ATROCITIES AND MASSACRES COMMITTED BY THE PRETORIA REGIME AGAINST INNOCENT CHILDREN, WORKERS, AND PEASANTS IN SOUTH AFRICA AS WELL

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AS THE ARMED INVASION AGAINST THE NEIGHBOURING AFRICAN STATES."

(B) WESTERN DIPLOMATIC INITIATIVES: "THE DIPLOMATIC OFFENSIVE BY THE FIVE WESTERN SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AIMED AT SALVAGING THE VORSTER REGIME FROM ISOLATION BY PROJECTING IT AS THE LIBERATOR OF ZIMBABWE WAS STRONGLY CONDEMNED. AND SO WAS THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION'S NEO-COLONIALIST PROPOSED SOLUTION WHOSE FIRST STEP IS THE INSTALLATION OF PUPPET REGIMES IN ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA FOR THE PURPOSE OF SERVING AS BUFFER ZONES TO PROTECT IMPERIALIST INTERESTS AND BUYING THE VORSTER REGIME TIME FOR ITS BANTUSTAN PROGRAMME."

(C) HOMELAND POLICY: "PUPPET TRIBAL ENCLAVES" SUCH AS THE BANTUSTANS, THE TRANSEKI, AND BOPHUTHATSWANS ARE CONDEMNED AND OPPOSED."

(C) AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS: THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS IS "THE SOLE AUTHENTIC LIBERATION MOVEMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA."

(E) ZIONISM EQUALS APARTHEID: "THE CONFERENCE AFFIRMS THAT ZIONISM AND APARTHEID ARE TWIN FORCES OF RACISM."

4. ON NAMIBIA:

(A) SWAPO IS THE ONE-AND-ONLY: "SWAPO IS THE ONLY TRUE AND AUTHENTIC LIBERATION MOVEMENT IN NAMIBIA." ALL DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITIES BY OTHER NATIONS ON NAMIBIA QUESTION "MUST BE TAKEN ONLY IN CONSULTATION WITH AND THE APPROVAL OF SWAPO. TO DO THE CONTRARY, WILL ONLY LEAD TO AN INTENSIFIED WAR."

(B) TURNHALLE CONFERENCE: "THE SO-CALLED
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CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE AT TURNHALLE OR OTHER SIMILAR MANOEUVRES ARE DANGEROUS FRAUDS AIMED AT THE UNILATERAL TRANSFORMATION OF NAMIBIA FROM A CLASSIC COLONY OF SOUTH AFRICA TO A NEO-COLONY OF THE SAME, THUS THE URGENT NEED FOR ITS COMPLETE REPUDIATION."

(C) SWAPO CONTACT WITH SOUTH AFRICA:

-- "SOUTH AFRICA IS NOT PREPARED TO TRANSFER COMPLETE
POLITICAL POWER TO THE NAMIBIAN PEOPLE
PEACEFULLY."
-- "SOUTH AFRICA IS USING THE SO-CALLED CONTACTS TO BUY TIME."
-- SUCH CONTACTS ARE CORRECT "PROVIDED SOUTH
AFRICA UNCONDITIONALLY COMPLIES WITH SWAPO'S STATED PRE-
CONDITIONS THAT INCLUDE THE UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL
POLITICAL PRISONERS AND A SOLID COMMITMENT BY SOUTH
AFRICA TO WITHDRAW HER ARMY AND POLICE FORCE FROM NAMIBIA."

5. ON ZIMBABWE:

(A) MERCENARIES: THE CONFERENCE "TAKES GRAVE
CONCERN AT THE INCREASE OF MERCENARIES" TO RHODESIA THAT
ORIGINATE "STRANGELY FROM THOSE COUNTRIES THAT ARE AT
THE SAME TIME PURPORTING TO BE CARRYING OUT
INITIATIVES TO BRING ABOUT PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN
RHODESIA, IN PARTICULAR GREAT BRITAIN, THE USA, WEST
GERMANY, FRANCE, ETC." IN THIS LIGHT, THE ANGLO-AMERICAN
INITIATIVES "CAN NEVER GAIN CREDIBILITY AND ARE, TO SAY
THE LEAST, PRETENTIOUS."

(B) PATRIOTIC FRONT: THE CONFERENCE "GIVES FULL SUPPORT TO THE
PATRIOTIC FRONT AS THE SOLE AND GENUINE REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE STRUGGLING PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE."

(C) GREAT BRITAIN IS STILL THE ENEMY: "SETTLEMENT CAN
ONLY MEAN SETTLEMENT OF THE WAR BETWEEN THE FORCES
LOCKED IN COMBAT THAT IS, THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT ON
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